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Food for Reflection. From THE TIMES Anniversary Edition

A comparison of newspaper statistics with our esteemed contemporaries may of interest.

THE TIMES-
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 133

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 48
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 44

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 64

 No. advertisements
 106

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 19

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 4

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 24
 The above figures are a fair commentary on the progress of the three daily papers in Roanoke.

THE TIMES wants a live working agent and correspondent in every town in South-west Virginia. Applications should be sent in at once.

THAT REPORT.

The report of the special investigating committee has been accepted by the City Council. THE TIMES is no advocate of a weak-kneed policy of reform; it believes that half-way measures are seldom effective.

The report speaks for itself. There are several passages in which there are exhibitions of nerve and determination. but on the whole it is a weak let down. One is strongly reminded of the small boys who went out gunning for partridge and encountered a bear.

But the thing is done. The "expert" may have more courage. No matter how perfect "system" may be devised it will be useless unless the system is administered by officials who will live up to it. The defalcation of Chief Morris would have been impossible if the present system and the ordinances governing it had been followed out.

MUNICIPAL TAXATION.

The subject for discussion at the Commercial Association rooms to night is "Municipal Taxation." The opening paper will be read by H. J. Browne, editor of The Times. The topic is one of great interest, and should draw a crowded house. The system of taxaton is out of date and extremely oppressive to the laboring classes, and needs reform. It is far from being up to the needs of a progressive city like

VERY BAD YOUNG MEN.

Who Make Fun of the Services, Receive Rev. Mr. Elsom's Attention.

"Pray for these young men who work

"Pray for these young men who work at the Roanoke Machine Works. They attend the meeting every night and the next day they make fun of the services," read Rev. Mr. Elsom from a note last night before he took his text at the Calvary Raptist revival. The note was sent in by a lady.

"Now, my brethren, I feel like praying for these young men. They ought to be prayed for, for I tell you any one who makes fun of religious services is on his way to hell. They are as near perdition as they can get.

"Now, here is another note asking that we pray for a little French boy, who is already much interested. Now, brethren, pray for him tenderly. He is interested and wants to be saved, but these three young men, God save them, they are on the road to damnation. Pray for them, brethren."

Mr. Elsom then took his text from Rev., 6 chapter and 17 verse; "For the great day of His wrath is come, and who shall be able to stand?"

Yom Kippur.

The Jewish Day of Atonement was celebrated yesterday. The day began at six o'clock Sunday evening and continued until six o'clock yesterday evening. In this city services were held in the synagogue and the day was spent in fasting and prayer.

A NEW GAME.

Which Is Sald to Be Popular Among Railway Travelers in England.

Among the many devices resorted to for lessening the tediousness of a long railway journey, not the least ingeniou is the new game described in the fol-lowing letter addressed to the London

Times by a traveling correspondent:
Will you allow me to describe a new
game for the benefit of those who do it? It is played in railway trains or any public place, and I can best explain it by giving my own experience. I was alone in a first-class carriage, when two young gentlemen and their three sis-ters, as I suppose, entered. I learned from their conversation that they supposed we should pass a certain station where they intended on their way to leave a parcel. I thought it would be civil to tell them that we had already passed it. They thanked me most courteously, and the gentleman who had first men-tioned the parcel made a pencil mark on his cuff. Shortly after that one of the young ladies asked her brother the time, and as none of the party seemed to have a watch, and were very much out in their guesses as to what the hour out in their guesses as to what the hour was, I again ventured, though a man of few words, to tell them what I thought they really wanted to know. Again I noticed that the young lady who had first asked the time furtively made a mark on her cuff. My fellow-travelers seemed to know so little about the route we were taking that out of pure kindness I interposed several more times, and whenever I did so they thanked me profusely, and I observed that some one either wrote on his or her cuff, or scored something yown elsewhere. Presently something Nown elsewhere. Presently they divided some money among them-selves. I have since discovered that I was the victim of the game of "Lure." The game is a simple one. The players take it in turn to start a conversation strictly among themselves, with a view of inducing a stranger to break into it. The points are any sum agreed upon If the lure takes effect all the players pay the starter. If it fails the starter pays the starter. It it fails the starter pays the players. If the lure takes ef-fect but the person lured answers wrong, the starter is paid double. All the players are bound to support the starter. I learned this afterward.

GREAT AUTOGRAPH BOOKS.

Signatures of Visitors to Philadelphia Preserved for Future Ages.

Mr. William Babe, superintendent of the state house portrait hall, in the course of an interview with a reporter the other day, gave some interesting facts about the visitors' book, of which he is the custodian. The book lies on a raised desk at the right of the hall, and all visitors to the state house are allowed to inscribe their names in it for

future generations to gaze upon.
"The book," said Superintendent
Babe, "was started in 1876 for the sole use of visitors to the centennial exhibi-tion, and it proved vastly popular from the beginning. It has never been settled who originated the plan of keeping a record of Philadelphia's visitors, but it

was the centennial commission, in all probability.

"Each book contains about 20,400 names, and we use up two a year; so you see that during the last fifteen years nearly 315,000 non-residents have affixed their signatures to the books. Then, too, like most any other business, there are months when we do a very small business in the chirography line and others when the trade booms March is the lightest month in the year. We average from seventy-five to eightyfive names a day during that month.

After March it keeps increasing daily until August, when the high water mark is reached. Last August averaged two hundred and fifty names a day. From August on it begins to go down until we come around to March again,

when we touch low water mark.
"Only about half the people who visit the portrait hall write their names in the book. Some have a natural aversion to a 'promiscuous distribution'— as an elderly gentleman told me the other day—of their signatures, while others are not aware of the book's existence

There are signers from all over the world. Every country is represented, from civilized England and France to

"The city intends to keep the books with the other city records, and in two or three hundred years from now, I dare say, the books will be considered very valuable and interesting relies."-Philadelphia Press.

A Buried Pond.

A remarkable freak of nature is found among the hills of Delaware county, N. Y., in a sunken lake covering about three acres of surface, which lies between two parallel ridges not far from the New York, Ontario & Western railroad. The whole surface of the lake is covered with a thick growth of moss whose stems extend to an unknown depth, but certainly further than the arm can reach. Each further than the arm can reach. Each tuft of the moss is of a different color from its neighbor, so that the surface looks like that of a beautiful colored carpet. In walking over the velvety surface the foot sinks down a few inches without encountering the water, which is at least two feet below the surface. Near the shore, in a few places, the water comes to the top The buried pond is a wonderful curiosi-

Cause of the Sky's Blueness.

The interesting discovery that oxygen in its liquid state is blue as been made by M. Olszewski. To obtain this appearance it is only necessary to have a sufficient quantity of the liquid to form a layer about a twenty-fifth of an inch in thickness. This blue color is precisely that of the sky. This is significant. The thought will at once occur that the blueness of the sky is due to the intrinsic color of the oxygen of the atmosphere. For it is reasonable to suppose that though the atmosphere does only contain oxygen in its gaseous form, the layer of many miles in thickness through which we gaze may manifest the color which rightly belongs to oxygen, and is shown in the liquid state of that gas in a layer of only one-twenty-fifth of an inch in thickness.

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52,669.474 | Deposits on certificate | 13,304.74 | Check deposits...
62,312.16 | Bills payable...
4,482.51 | Bills rediscounted... 126,191.88 30,251.75 168,145.15 114,305.90 2,508.33 5,833.38 52,669.00 Furniture.
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